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TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS R)

SUBJECT: SECVISIT: PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

1. POSTS SHOULD ARRANGE TO RECORD AND TRANSCRIBE ANY PUBLIC REMARKS THE SECRETARY MAY MAKE AND TO FORWARD THEM BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM TO DEPARTMENT, WITH CAPTIONS: QUOTE FOR S/PRS AND PA; DEPARTMENT PASS NSC FOR DR. BRZEZINSKI AND WHITE HOUSE FOR MR. POWELL UNQUOTE; AND TO SECRETARY'S PARTY AT NEXT STOP AND TO OTHER INTERESTED POSTS. EXAMPLE OF SUCH REMARKS WOULD INCLUDE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE STATEMENTS, EXCHANGE OF TOASTS, ANY IMPROMPTU SESSIONS WITH PRESS THAT MAY FOLLOW MEETINGS WITH HOST GOVERNMENT LEADERS AND TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL NEWS CONFERENCES.

2. INCLUDE INDICATION OF ALL PRESS OPPORTUNITIES IN VISIT

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SCENARIOS WHICH WILL BE REQUESTED SEPTELS SO THAT JOURNALISTS ACCOMPANYING THE SECRETARY ON HIS AIRCRAFT MAY BE INFORMED WELL AHEAD OF ARRIVAL. POSTS SHOULD ALSO PASS FOREGOING TO LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES OF TRAVELING PRESS AS WELL AS TO OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN MEDIA PRESENT IN RESPECTIVE CITIES VISITED.

3. ORDINARILY, TRAVELING PRESS IS INCLUDED IN ALL EVENTS OPEN FOR COVERAGE. POOL ARRANGEMENTS RESTRICTING COVERAGE BY TRAVELING PRESS SHOULD BE AVOIDED.

4. NEWSMEN SHOULD BE HOUSED IN SINGLES IN SAME HOTEL AS OFFICIAL PARTY, BUT ON SEPARATE FLOOR. IF ROOMS IN SEPARATE HOTELS REQUIRED, THIS SHOULD BE AT NO GREAT DISTANCE FROM OFFICIAL PARTY. TRANSPORT TO AND FROM OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS SHOULD BE PROVIDED.

5. TWO CONNECTING DOUBLE ROOMS OR SIMILAR AMOUNT OF SPACE WILL BE REQUIRED FOR PRESS ROOM AND FACILITIES TO BE MANNED BY EMBASSY/USIS PERSONNEL.

6. MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR USE OF CREDIT CARDS FOR FILING PURPOSES AND PROVIDE FACT SHEET ON COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS FOR TRANSMITTING FILM BACK TO U.S. FOR DURATION OF VISIT.

7. WIRE SERVICES AND TV CORRESPONDENTS ARE USUALLY ON FILING DEADLINE OR SATELLITE FEED TO UNITED STATES. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS, IF POSSIBLE, AUTO TRANSPORTATION TO RUN ADVANCE COPY TO FILING LOCATION AND/OR TV CORRESPONDENTS TO PROCEED IN ADVANCE OF SECRETARY'S MOTORCADE FOR THOSE ON SUCH DEADLINES WHILE REMAINING PRESS COULD TRAVEL ON BUS. IF COST ITEM, TV NETS AND WIRES COULD BE CHARGED EXTRA.
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8. PROVIDE SPOKESMAN AND NEWSMEN USIS WIRELESS FILE AND/OR COMMERCIAL NEWS AGENCY COPY (IF AVAILABLE AT YOUR POSTS) TO KEEP UP TO DATE ON DEVELOPMENTS AROUND THE WORLD.

9. WHERE APPROPRIATE, PROVIDE CURRENT AND RELEVANT BACKGROUND MATERIAL.

10. NEWSMEN SHOULD BE AFFORDED AMPLE TIME FOR WRITING AND FILING. NO PRESS CONFERENCES SHOULD BE SCHEDULED WITHIN TWO HOURS OF PARTY'S DEPARTURE, IF POSSIBLE.

11. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN WOULD APPRECIATE FULL-TIME ASSISTANCE OF ONE OFFICER, PREFERABLY PAO, DURING STAY AT POST. CHRISTOPHER

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